

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions of claims in the application.

1-33. (Cancelled).

34. (Currently Amended) A picture framing system comprising:

a wall strip having a first arm and a second arm;

a slot in the wall strip substantially perpendicular to the first and second arms;

a transparent envelope having a front surface and a rear surface, with the front surface connecting with the rear surface at a U-bend[[.]] ;

the front surface having an upper edge adapted to slide between the first and second arms; and

a cover attachable to the wall strip and having a tab extendable into the slot, to attach the cover onto the wall strip, with the cover dimensioned so that it overlies the wall strip entirely.

35. (Previously Presented) The picture framing system of claim 34 with the rear surface having a upper edge spaced apart from the upper edge of the front surface, and with the upper edge of the rear surface not contacting the wall strip when the front surface is between the first and second arms.

36. (Cancelled)

37. (Cancelled)

38. (Previously Presented) The picture framing system of claim 34 wherein the rear surface of the front panel is biased into contact with the front surface of the front panel.

39. (Cancelled).

40. (Currently Amended) The framing system of claim [[39]] 34 wherein the dimensions of the cover substantially match the dimensions of the wall strip.

41. (Currently Amended) The framing system of claim [[39]] 34 wherein the front and rear surfaces of the envelope can be temporarily separated to form a gap to allow a photograph to be inserted between them.

42. (New) The framing system of claim 34 with the wall strip wider than the envelope.

43. (New) The framing system of claim 34 further comprising a second generally transparent envelope having an upper end and a lower end, with the upper end of the second envelope also adapted to slide between and remain held in the wall strip by the first and second arms, and with the second envelope also having a front surface connecting to a rear surface at a U-bend, at the lower end of the second envelope, and with the second envelope also having open sides.

44. (New) The framing system of claim 34 wherein the wall strip comprises a plastic extrusion adapted to be cut to a desired length.

45. (New) The framing system of claim 34 with the cover dimensioned so that it overlies the wall strip entirely.

46. (New) A picture framing system comprising:
a wall strip having a first arm and a second arm;
a slot in the wall strip substantially perpendicular to the first and second arms,

a transparent envelope having a front surface and a rear surface, with
the front surface connecting with the rear surface at a U-bend,

the front surface having an upper edge adapted to slide between the
first and second arms; and

a cover attachable to the wall strip and having a tab extendable into
the slot, to attach the cover onto the wall strip, and with the cover dimensioned so
that it overlies the wall strip entirely.